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Christopher Rodriguez (GUARD/E)

Allard-Bernhardt, Victoria R. (for Cecilia Rodriguez – Mother – Petitioner)

Petition for Authority to Expend Money for Support and/or Maintenance and/or Education of Minor, Christopher Rodriguez

|                           | CECILIA RODRIGUEZ, Mother and   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:   |
|---------------------------|---|--|
|                           | Guardian of the Estate, is Petitioner.  | , ,  |
|                           | ·   | Cont. from 11-20-13, 12-6-13, 1-21-14, 3-18-14                       |
|                           | Petitioner states that prior to her husband's death, he was the main                    |  |
| 0 17 110010               | provider for the family, and she worked   | Minute Order 11-20-13: Matter continued to 12-6-13. Counsel is to be |
| Cont. from 112013,        | only seasonally in field work and   | prepared to discuss at the next hearing                              |
| 120613, 012114,<br>031814 | otherwise cared for the children.   | the issue as to whether there is a similar                           |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.              | The following expenses are incurred   | account for Christina.   |
|                           | monthly for the support and/or  | Note: On 4-9-14, the receipt was filed                               |
| Verified                  | maintenance and/or education of the   | showing \$40,000.00 deposited to a                                   |
| Inventory                 | minor Christopher:  | blocked account for the guardianship estate.                         |
| PTC                       | Rent: \$300.00  |  |
| Not.Cred.                 | • Food and household supplies: \$376.00   | Ms. Rodriguez was granted a fee     waiver in connection with the    |
| Notice of                 | Utilities and telephone: \$50.00     Clathing: \$25.00                                  | original petition; however, since                                    |
| Hrg                       | <ul><li>Clothing: \$25.00</li><li>Child care: \$600.00 (party for</li></ul>             | funds have been received, fees will                                  |
| Aff.Mail                  | Chrystina)  | be due to the court.   |
| Aff.Pub.                  | Transportation (gas, insurance, and   | Therefore, need filing fees of                                       |
| Sp.Ntc.                   | rent on vehicle): \$620.00  | \$870.00 (\$435 for filing of the                                    |
| Pers.Serv.                | Petitioner states she, Christopher, and   | original petition and \$435 for filing                               |
| Conf.                     | Chrystina currently live with Petitioner's  | of this petition).   |
| Screen                    | mother. However, this is only a short term  |  |
| Letters                   | opetion and Petitioner needs to find an   |  |
| Duties/Supp               | apartment where she, Christopher, and   |  |
| Objections                | Chrystina can live alone. This would be in Christopher's best interest.                 |  |
| Video                     | 1   |  |
| Receipt                   | Petitioner currently works at DFA of  |  |
| CI Report                 | California and has to borrow a vehicle to get to work Monday through Friday 6am         |  |
| 9202                      | to 3pm earning \$9.50/hr. This is seasonal  |  |
| Order X                   | work expected to last until November  |  |
| Aff. Posting              | 2013. Petitioner needs to purchase a  | Reviewed by: skc   |
|                           | vehicle so she can provide proper   | Reviewed on: 4-11-14   |
| Status Rpt UCCJEA         | transportation to school, doctor, grocery,  | Updates:   |
| Citation                  | etc., for the benefit of Christopher.   | Recommendation:  |
| FTB Notice                | Petitioner states she is enrolled at Reedley  | File 6A – Rodriguez  |
| I ID MONCE                | College and will be starting classes in   | THE OA ROUNGUEZ  |
|                           | October 2013 for a certificate in business administrative assistant, which will take 12 |  |
|                           | months if she continues to attend part  |  |
|                           | time.   |  |
|                           | Petitioner requests authority authorizing   |  |
|                           | her to withdraw \$1,000.00 per month from   |  |
|                           | the blocked account without further court   |  |
|                           | order, to be expended for the   |  |
|                           | comfortable and suitable support and/or   |  |
|                           | maintenance and/or education of   |  |
|                           | Christopher Rodriguez until further order   |  |
|                           | of the Court or as the Court may deem proper.   |  |
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Allard-Bernhardt, Victoria R. (for Cecilia Rodriguez – mother/Petitioner)
Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Inventory and Appraisal

|                         | CECILIA RODRIGUEZ, mother, was                       | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:   |
|-------------------------|--|--|
|                         | appointed Guardian of the Estate with                |  |
|                         | funds to be placed in a blocked account on 10/29/13. | <ol> <li>Need Inventory &amp; Appraisal<br/>and/or Status Report.</li> </ol> |
|                         | decorn on 10/2//10.                                  | анауы этагы керып.   |
| Cont. from 032814       | Minute Order from 10/29/13 set this                  |  |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.            | matter for status regarding filing of the            |  |
| Verified                | Inventory & Appraisal.                               |  |
| Inventory               |  |  |
| PTC                     |  |  |
| Not.Cred.               |  |  |
| Notice of               |  |  |
| Hrg                     |  |  |
| Aff.Mail                |  |  |
| Aff.Pub.                |  |  |
| Sp.Ntc.                 |  |  |
| Pers.Serv.              |  |  |
| Conf.                   |  |  |
| Screen                  |  |  |
| Letters                 |  |  |
| Duties/Supp             |  |  |
| Objections              |  |  |
| Video                   |  |  |
| Receipt                 |  |  |
| CI Report               |  |  |
| 9202                    |  |  |
| Order                   |  | Pavious d by: IE   |
| Aff. Posting Status Rpt |  | Reviewed by: JF Reviewed on: 4-11-14 (skc)                                   |
| UCCJEA                  |  | Updates:   |
| Citation                |  | Recommendation:  |
| FTB Notice              |  | File 6C - Rodriguez  |
| I I I NOIICE            |  | THE UC - ROUNGUEZ  |

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# Clifford Elias Gammel (Estate)

Case No. 14CEPR00040

7 Atty

Rinehart, Rusty (of Campbell, Ca. for Craig Gammel – Petitioner – Nephew)

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450

| DC       | D: 09/16/2013    | CRAIG GAMMEL, nephew is petitioner                              | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:                     |
|----------|------------------|---|--|
|          |                  | and request appointment as                                      |  |
|          |                  | Administrator with bond.  | Need Confidential Supplement to              |
|          |                  |   | Duties & Liabilities of Personal             |
| Co       | nt. from 022514  | Receipt of Bond in the amount of                                | Representative. Mandatory Judicial           |
|          | Aff.Sub.Wit.     | \$270,000.00 was filed 02/07/2014                               | Council form DE-147S.                        |
|          | Verified         | Full IAEA – o.k.  | 2. Need date of death of Walter Ralph        |
| <b>✓</b> | verilled         | 10117 127 ( 0.10.   | Gammel, brother of decedent,                 |
|          | Inventory        | Decedent died intestate   | Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1.1D.               |
|          | PTC              |   |  |
|          | Not.Cred.        | Residence: Kerman   |  |
| 1        | Notice of        | Publication: The Kerman News                                    |  |
| Ľ        | Hrg              | Falling sale of visiting of the Catastan                        |  |
| 1        | Aff.Mail w/      | Estimated value of the Estate:  Personal property - \$20,000.00 | Note: If the petition is granted status      |
|          | Aff.Pub.         | Real Property - \$250,000.00                                    | hearings will be set as follows:             |
| <b>√</b> |                  | Total: - \$270,000.00   | • Friday 07/25/2014 at 9:00a m in            |
|          | Sp.Ntc.          | • •   | • Friday, 07/25/2014 at 9:00a.m. in          |
|          | Pers.Serv.       | Probate Referee: Steven Diebert                                 | <b>Dept. 303</b> for the filing of the       |
| 1        | Conf.            |   | inventory and appraisal <b>and</b>           |
|          | Screen           |   | • Friday, 04/24/2015 at 9:00a.m. in          |
| ✓        | Letters          |   | <b>Dept. 303</b> for the filing of the first |
| 1        | Duties/Supp      |   | account and final distribution.              |
| Ě        |                  |   |  |
|          | Objections       |   | Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required   |
|          | Video<br>Possint |   | documents are filed 10 days prior to the     |
|          | Receipt          |   | hearings on the matter the status hearing    |
|          | CI Report        |   | will come off calendar and no                |
|          | 9202             |   | appearance will be required.                 |
| ✓        | Order            |   |  |
|          | Aff. Posting     |   | Reviewed by: LV                              |
|          | Status Rpt       |   | <b>Reviewed on:</b> 04/11/2014               |
|          | UCCJEA           |   | Updates:                                     |
|          | Citation         |   | Recommendation:                              |
|          | FTB Notice       |   | File 7 – Gammel                              |

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Wilson, Glenn R. (for Ernest Escobedo and Christine Escobedo – Petitioners)

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to

Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

| DO | D: 11-10-13         |   | ERNEST and CHRISTINE ESCOBEDO,         | NE   | EDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:  |
|----|---------------------|---|--|------|---|
|    |                     |   | parents, are Petitioners and request   |      |   |
|    |                     |   | appointment as Co-Administrators with  | Co   | ontinued from 3-4-14  |
|    |                     |   | Limited IAEA with bond of \$12,500.00. |      |   |
| Co | nt. from 03041      | 4 | IAEA: Need publication                 |      | of 4-11-14, nothing further has<br>een filed by Petitioners in this |
|    | Aff.Sub.Wit.        |   | IALA. Need publication                 |      | atter. The following issues remain:                                 |
| ~  | Verified            |   | Decedent died intestate                |      | aner. The following issues remain:                                  |
|    | Inventory           |   |  | 1.   | Need Notice of Petition to  |
|    | PTC                 |   | Residence: Kerman, CA                  |      | Administer Estate.  |
|    | Not.Cred.           |   | Publication: Need publication          |      |   |
|    | Notice of           | Χ | Estimated value of estate:             | 2.   | Need proof of service of Notice of Petition to Administer Estate on |
|    | Hrg                 | ^ | Personal property: \$12,501.00         |      | relatives listed at #8 at least 15                                  |
|    | Aff.Mail            | Χ | 1 01301101 property. \$12,001.00       |      | days prior to the hearing per                                       |
|    | Aff.Pub.            | X | Probate Referee: Steven Diebert        |      | Probate Code §8110.   |
|    | Sp.Ntc.             |   |  |      |   |
|    | Pers.Serv.          |   |  | 3.   | Need publication pursuant to Probate Code §8120 and Local           |
|    | Conf.               |   |  |      | Rule 7.9.   |
|    | Screen              |   |  |      |   |
| ~  | Letters             |   |  |      | ote: If granted, the Court will set                                 |
| >  | Duties/Supp         |   |  | stc  | itus hearings as follows:   |
|    | Objections          |   |  | •    | Friday 6-6-14 for filing proof of                                   |
|    | Video               |   |  |      | bond  |
|    | Receipt             |   |  | •    | Friday 8-29-14 for filing of the                                    |
|    | CI Report           |   |  |      | Inventory and Appraisal Friday 8-28-15 for filing the first         |
|    | 9202                |   |  |      | account or petition for final                                       |
| •  | Order               |   |  |      | distribution.   |
|    |                     |   |  | If t | he appropriate documentation is                                     |
|    |                     |   |  |      | file prior to the status dates                                      |
|    |                     |   |  |      | rsuant to local rules, the status                                   |
|    |                     |   |  | da   | ites may be taken off calendar.                                     |
|    |                     |   |  |      |   |
|    | Aff. Posting        |   |  | -    | viewed by: skc  |
| -  | Status Rpt          |   |  |      | viewed on: 4-11-14  |
|    | UCCJEA              |   |  | _    | dates:  |
|    | Citation ETP Notice |   |  |      | commendation:   |
|    | FTB Notice          |   |  | LIIC | e 8 – Escobedo  |

Richard Yegan and Marcia Crew (F/MARR)

Matlak, Steven M. (for Petitioner Marcia Crew)

Petition to Establish Fact of Marriage

| Ric | hard Yegan      | MARCIA RENEE CREW is Petitioner.   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS: |
|-----|-----------------|--|--------------------------|
| DO  | D: 10-22-13     |  | Continued from 4.11.14   |
|     |                 | Petitioner states she and RICHARD YEGAN  | Continued from 4-11-14   |
|     |                 | were married on 12-31-99 in Fresno,  | See additional page      |
| Со  | nt. from 040814 | California, but there is no official record of the fact, date, and place of marriage.  |                          |
|     | Aff.Sub.Wit.    | Richard Yegan passed away on 10-22-13.   |                          |
| -   | Verified        | Therefore, Petitioner seeks a Court Order  |                          |
|     | Inventory       | Establishing Fact of Marriage pursuant to  |                          |
|     | PTC             | Health and Safety Code §§ 103450-103490.   |                          |
|     | Not.Cred.       |  |                          |
|     | Notice of       | Declaration in Support of Petition states the  |                          |
|     | Hrg             | ceremony on 12-31-99 was performed by Sheriff's Dept. Chaplain Doug Lanier and         |                          |
|     | Aff.Mail        | witnessed by Catherine Rogers. Prior to his  |                          |
|     | Aff.Pub.        | death, Richard created an estate plan  |                          |
|     | Sp.Ntc.         | naming his wife, Marcia Crew, as sole  |                          |
|     | Pers.Serv.      | beneficiary of his estate (trust and will  |                          |
|     | Conf.           | dated 8-20-13 attached). Because of the trust, no administration of his estate will be |                          |
|     | Screen          | required. However, Petitioner needs to   |                          |
|     | Letters         | establish that they were legally married in  |                          |
|     | Duties/Supp     | order to obtain Social Security death  |                          |
|     | Objections      | benefits as Richard's Surviving Spouse.  |                          |
|     | Video           | Declaration of Doug Lanier states on 12-31-  |                          |
|     | Receipt         | 99 he officiated the marriage of Richard   |                          |
|     | CI Report       | Yegan and Marcia Crew.   |                          |
|     | 9202            |  |                          |
| ~   | Order           | Declaration of Catherine Rogers states on  |                          |
|     | Aff. Posting    | 12-31-99, she witnessed the marriage of  | Reviewed by: skc         |
|     | Status Rpt      | Richard Yegan and Marcia Crew.   | Reviewed on: 4-11-14     |
|     | UCCJEA          |  | Updates:                 |
|     | Citation        |  | Recommendation:          |
|     | FTB Notice      |  | File 10 – Yegan & Crew   |
|     |                 |  | 10                       |

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### Prior Examiner Notes noted the following issue:

1. Petitioner does not state <u>why</u> there is no official record of the marriage. Was a valid marriage license obtained and recorded? If not, why not?

Health and Safety Code § 103150 states: Each marriage that is performed shall be registered by the person performing the ceremony as provided by Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 420) of Part 3 of Division 3 of the Family Code.

Family Code §§ 420 et seq., states that before solemnizing a marriage, the officiant shall require the presentation of the marriage license, and that upon solemnizing the marriage, the officiant shall return the endorsed marriage license to the county recorder within 10 days after the ceremony.

Family Code §425 allows up to one year to obtain a license via declaration from the county clerk if the above procedure was not followed.

Neither the petition nor the officiant's declaration contain any information about why a license was not obtained and recorded at the time of the marriage.

If a valid license was not obtained, need authority for Court order establishing fact of marriage.

Petitioner filed a Declaration on 4-11-14 that states she and the decedent were married on 12-31-99 and the ceremony was officiated by the Sheriff's Department Chaplain Doug Lanier. Since that time until recently she believed they had completed all the necessary steps to become legally married in California. After the ceremony, they held themselves out as married to the public and they believed they were legally married. Upon applying for social security benefits following Richard's death, she became aware of the need for a marriage certificate and contacted Mr. Lanier for assistance and learned that they should have obtained an official certificate from the State of California at the time of the marriage. She does not recall him telling her that requirement at the time they were married, and all this time she believed they were validly married. On the day of the marriage, a certificate was signed (attached) by Mr. Lanier and additional witnesses. Petitioner believed this was her marriage certificate and only recently learned that it is only a ceremonial record of the event. Note that the date on that certificate is incorrectly listed as 12-31-00 – the marriage actually took place on 12-31-99, the last day of the millennium.

Petitioner is informed by her attorney that Family Code §425 provided a year to obtain license via declaration; however, they did not avail themselves of this procedure and it is no longer available.

H&S Code § 103450 provides that a verified petition may be filed by any interested person with the clerk of the superior court in the county in which the person was domiciled at the date of death to judicially establish the fact and the time and place of a marriage that is not registered of for which a certified copy is not obtainable. Nothing in this section imposes a requirement that Petitioner had even attempted to obtain a marriage certificate previously. Indeed, this section states simply and clearly that where a marriage is not registered, the court may nonetheless enter an order establishing fact of marriage. Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court enter an order under H&S Code § 103450 to establish the fact that Petitioner and the Decedent were married on 12-31-99.

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Simonian, Jeffrey D. (for Louis Wayne Wiebe – Executor)

Status Hearing Re: Filing of the First Account and/or Petition for Final Distribution

| DOD: 4-4-12  | LOUIS WAYNE WIEBE, Son, was   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:  |
|--|---|---|
|  | appointed Executor with Full IAEA without bond and Letters issued on 6-25-12.   | Continued from 8-23-13, 10-11-13, 12-13-13, 2-14-14   |
| Cont from 082313,<br>101113, 121313,<br>021414<br>Aff.Sub.Wit. | On 6-25-13, the Court set this status hearing for the filing of the first account or petition for final distribution. | Minute Order 8-23-13: No appearances.  Matter continued to 10/11/13. Jeffrey Simonian is ordered to be personally present on 10/11/13 if the first account and petition for final distribution have not been filed.   |
| Verified Inventory PTC Not.Cred. Notice of Hrg                 |   | Minute Order 10-11-13: No appearances. The Court sets the matter for an Order to Show Cause on 12-13-13 regarding Jeffrey Simonian's failure to appear and imposition of sanctions in the amount of \$500.00. Jeffrey Simonian and Louis Wiebe are ordered to be personally present on 12-13-13. Continued to |
| Aff.Mail Aff.Pub. Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv. Conf.                     |   | 12-13-13. OSC set on 12-13-13.  Minute Order 12-13-13: Counsel informs the Court that the estate has sold the real property and is disposing of the vehicles. The Order to Show Cause is dismissed.   |
| Screen   Letters   Duties/Supp   Objections                    |   | Minute Order 2-14-13: Continued to 4-15-14.  As of 4-11-14, nothing further has been filed.  Note: I&A filed 11-27-12 indicates a total   |
| Video<br>Receipt<br>CI Report                                  |   | estate value of \$208,915.73 consisting of cash and various real and personal property.  Note: There are four (4) separate creditor's claims filed in this estate.  |
| Order  |   | <ol> <li>Need first account or petition for final distribution or written status report per local rules.</li> <li>Need proof of service of Notice of Hearing on Wells Fargo Card Services per Request for Special Notice filed 6-5-12.</li> </ol>   |
| Aff. Posting   |   | Reviewed by: skc  |
| Status Rpt   |   | Reviewed on: 4-11-14  |
| UCCJEA   |   | Updates:  |
| Citation   |   | Recommendation:   |
| FTB Notice   |   | File 16 – Wiebe   |
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Atty

Bickel, Bruce D. (Successor Trustee)

Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Next Account

|                   | BRUCE D. BICKEL is Successor Trustee.                              | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:                                 |
|-------------------|--|--|
|                   | PERINE & DICKEN resigned pursuant to Petition and Order of 2-5-13. | Continued from 2-7-14                                    |
| Cont. from 020714 | On 2-5-13, the Court signed the Order                              | Minute Order 2-7-14: No appearances. The Court directs a |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.      | Settling Resigning Trustee's First and                             | copy of the minute order be sent to                      |
| Verified          | Final Account, Allowing Fees and Costs                             | Bruce Bickel indicating that an                          |
| Inventory         | for the Resigning Trustee and its Counsel                          | accounting is due.                                       |
| PTC               | and Discharging the Resigning Trustee.                             | As of 4.11.14 modeling friedbourbase                     |
| Not.Cred.         | At the hearing on 2-5-13, the Court set                            | As of 4-11-14, nothing further has been filed.           |
| Notice of         | this status hearing for the filing of the                          | been med.  |
| Hrg               | next account.  | Need accounting or verified                              |
| Aff.Mail          |  | status report.   |
| Aff.Pub.          |  |  |
| Sp.Ntc.           |  |  |
| Pers.Serv.        |  |  |
| Conf.             |  |  |
| Screen            |  |  |
| Letters           |  |  |
| Duties/Supp       |  |  |
| Objections        |  |  |
| Video             |  |  |
| Receipt           |  |  |
| CI Report         |  |  |
| 9202              |  |  |
| Order             |  |  |
| Aff. Posting      |  | Reviewed by: skc   |
| Status Rpt        | _  | Reviewed on: 4-11-14                                     |
| UCCJEA            | -  | Updates:   |
| Citation          | 4  | Recommendation:  |
| FTB Notice        |  | File 18 – Rodriguez                                      |

Hinshaw, Caroline K (for Mark Reiff –Executor)

Status Hearing Re: Filing of the Inventory and Appraisal

| DOD: 03/29/2013    | MARK REIFF was appointed Executor with full IAEA  | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:   |
|--------------------|---|--|
| , ,                | with bond set at \$120,000.00 on 07/08/2013.  | ,  |
|                    | Bond filed 07/08/2013   | <ol> <li>Need <u>Final</u> Inventory and<br/>Appraisal.</li> </ol> |
| Cont. from 120613, | Letters issued on 09/13/2013.   | Note: I&A Partial #2 and Partial #4                                |
| 021414             |   | were filed 12-4-13. Therefore we                                   |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.       | Minute Order dated 07/08/2013 set this status hearing for the filing of the Inventory and Appraisal.    | need #1, #3, any other partials, and the Final I&A.                |
| Verified           |   | and me mana.   |
| Inventory   PTC    | Inventory & Appraisal Partial No. 2 filed 12/04/2013 -  |  |
| Not.Cred.          | \$5,000.00  |  |
| Notice of Hrg      | Inventory & Appraisal Partial No. 4 filed 12/04/2013 - \$43,500   |  |
| Aff.Mail           | Inventory & Appraisal Partial No. 5 filed 12/16/2013 -  |  |
| Aff.Pub.           | \$103,912.27  |  |
| Sp.Ntc.            | Inventory & Appraisal Partial No. 6 filed 02/03/2014 -  |  |
| Pers.Serv.         | = \$27,723.00   |  |
| Conf. Screen       | Status Report filed 04/08/2014 requests that the  |  |
| Letters            | Court schedule one additional status hearing  |  |
| Duties/Supp        | approximately 90 days from April 15, 2014.  |  |
| Objections         | The Executor has entered into an Exclusive listing  |  |
| Video              | agreement to market the residence, and the  |  |
| Receipt            | residence is on the market. The Attorneys have  |  |
| CI Report          | recommended that Partial 1 not be filed prior to  |  |
| 9202               | marketing so as to potentially adversely affect offers for purchase. Partial 1 is expected to be filed  |  |
| Order Aff. Posting | as soon as sale of the real property has been   | Reviewed by: LV  |
| Status Rpt         | completed. Should the sale price greatly differ   | Reviewed by: 17  |
| UCCJEA             | from the appraised amount, Executor may request   | Updates:   |
| Citation           | that the probate referee revise his appraisal.  | Recommendation:  |
| FTB Notice         | The Levin & Carlson Partnership property is subject   | File 19 - Carlson  |
|                    | to a right of purchase by Marilyn Lungren, the  |  |
|                    | decedent's partner and to a right of first refusal by   |  |
|                    | Scott Raven, lessee. Accordingly, the valuation of the partnership property is a sensitive issue in the |  |
|                    | administration of the Estate, and additional time is  |  |
|                    | needed to evaluate the Referee's appraisal and  |  |
|                    | proceed with the administration of the partnership  |  |
|                    | property.   |  |
|                    |   |  |

Case No. 13CEPR00514

Teixeira, J. Stanley (for Jennifer Kapur – Petitioner) Atty Attý

Roberts, Greg

Status Hearing Re: Distribution to Granddaughter's Trust

| Ber | nice C. Kasabian        | JENNIFER KAPUR, Granddaughter                                       | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:  |
|-----|-------------------------|---|---|
| DO  | D: 1-17-13              | and beneficiary, filed a Petition to                                | Continued from 1-21-14, 2-25-14   |
|     |                         | Determine Existence of Trust on                                     | _   |
|     |                         | 6-12-13.  | Minute Order 9-10-13: Mr. Roberts indicates                                       |
|     |                         | Order Determining Evistance of                                      | that he will send out the notices to the beneficiaries and complete the           |
|     | ont. from 012114,       | Order Determining Existence of Trust filed 7-30-13 orders that Dana | administration.   |
| 022 | 2514                    | T. Kahler provide a true and  |   |
|     | Aff.Sub.Wit.            | correct copy of the trust,  | Minute Order 10-8-13: Mr. Roberts is appearing via CourtCall. Mr. Teixeira        |
|     | Verified                | including the operative   | informs the Court that one of the   |
|     | Inventory               | amendments.   | amendments was not signed. Continued to   |
|     | PTC                     | Note: Proposed language   | 11-5-13.  |
|     | Not.Cred.               | Note: Proposed language ordering Dana T. Kahler to                  | Minute Order 11-5-13: Mr. Roberts advises   |
|     | Notice of               | account was stricken from the                                       | the Court that he has the checks for the  |
|     | Hrg                     | order.  | twenty beneficiaries which will be  |
|     | Aff.Mail                |   | distributed within a week at which time he  |
|     | Aff.Pub.                | Minute Order 7-30-13: Mr. Roberts                                   | can begin working on the accounting. Set on 1-21-14 for Status Re Distribution to |
|     | Sp.Ntc.                 | requests a continuance to speak with Dana Kahler. The Court         | Granddaughter's Trust and Status Re   |
|     | Pers.Serv.              | grants the petition and denies the                                  | Accounting.   |
|     | Conf.                   | request for an accounting finding                                   | Minute Order 1-21-14: Mr. Roberts advises   |
|     | Screen                  | that it is premature at this time.                                  | the Court that Mr. Kahler has been ill so the                                     |
|     | Letters                 | Matter is set for Status Hearing on                                 | accounting has not been completed.  |
|     | Duties/Supp             | 9/10/13. The Court orders Dana                                      | As of 4-11-14, nothing further has been   |
|     | Objections              | Kahler to be personally present at the next hearing. Dana Kahler is | filed.  |
|     | Video                   | ordered to provide evidence of                                      |   |
|     | Receipt                 | any notices the he has given  |   |
|     | CI Report               | and/or other actions he has taken                                   |   |
|     | 9202                    | as trustee. In addition, Dana                                       |   |
|     | Order Aff Posting       | Kahler is ordered to file all                                       | Poviowad by: skg  |
|     | Aff. Posting Status Rpt | documents with this court and provide copies to Mr. Teixeira and    | Reviewed by: skc Reviewed on: 4-11-14   |
|     | UCCJEA                  | Mr. Roberts. Set on 9/10/13 at                                      | Updates:  |
|     | Citation                | 9:00am in Dept. 303 for Status                                      | Recommendation:   |
|     | FTB Notice              | Hearing. Petition is granted before                                 | File 20A – Kasabian   |
|     | 1.2.1.3.1.3.1           | Court Trial. Order signed.  |   |
|     |                         | A copy of the minute order was                                      |   |
|     |                         | A copy of the minute order was mailed to Attorneys Teixeira and     |   |
|     |                         | Roberts and to Dana Kahler on                                       |   |
|     |                         | 8-5-13.   |   |
|     |                         |   |   |
|     |                         |   |   |

Case No. 13CEPR00514

Status Hearing Re: Accounting

| Bernice C. Kasabian |                          | JENNIFER KAPUR, Granddaughter and   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:  |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| ВС                  | D: 1-17-13               | beneficiary, filed a Petition to  |   |
|                     |                          | Determine Existence of Trust on 6-12-13.                                    | Continued from 1-21-14, 2-25-14   |
|                     |                          | Order Determining Existence of Trust  | Minute Order 9-10-13: Mr. Roberts                                       |
|                     | 1.6 03033                | filed 7.20 12 orders that Dana T Kabler                                     | indicates that he will send out the                                     |
|                     | ont. from 012114<br>2514 | provide a true and correct copy of the                                      | notices to the beneficiaries and  |
| 02.                 |                          | trust, including the operative  | complete the administration.  |
|                     | Aff.Sub.Wit.             | amendments.   |   |
|                     | Verified                 | Alata Dua a a a allaman ann a antaria a                                     | Minute Order 10-8-13: Mr. Roberts is                                    |
|                     | Inventory                | Note: Proposed language ordering  Dana T. Kahler to account was stricken    | appearing via CourtCall. Mr. Teixeira informs the Court that one of the |
|                     | PTC                      | from the order.   | amendments was not signed.  |
|                     | Not.Cred.                |   | Continued to 11-5-13.   |
|                     | Notice of                | Minute Order 7-30-13: Mr. Roberts   |   |
|                     | Hrg                      | requests a continuance to speak with  | Minute Order 11-5-13: Mr. Roberts                                       |
|                     | Aff.Mail                 | Dana Kahler. The Court grants the   | advises the Court that he has the                                       |
|                     | Aff.Pub.                 | petition and denies the request for an                                      | checks for the twenty beneficiaries                                     |
|                     | Sp.Ntc.                  | accounting finding that it is premature                                     | which will be distributed within a                                      |
|                     | Pers.Serv.               | at this time. Matter is set for Status Hearing on 9/10/13. The Court orders | week at which time he can begin working on the accounting. Set on       |
|                     | Conf.                    | Dana Kahler to be personally present at                                     | 1-21-14 for Status Re Distribution to                                   |
|                     | Screen                   | the next hearing. Dana Kahler is  | Granddaughter's Trust and Status Re                                     |
|                     | Letters                  | ordered to provide evidence of any  | Accounting.   |
|                     | Duties/Supp              | notices the he has given and/or other                                       | _   |
|                     | Objections               | actions he has taken as trustee. In   | As of 4-11-14, nothing further has                                      |
| _                   | Video                    | addition, Dana Kahler is ordered to file                                    | <u>been filed.</u>  |
|                     | Receipt                  | all documents with this court and   |   |
|                     | CI Report                | provide copies to Mr. Teixeira and Mr. Roberts. Set on 9/10/13 at 9:00am in |   |
|                     | 9202                     | Dept. 303 for Status Hearing. Petition is                                   |   |
|                     | Order                    | granted before Court Trial. Order   |   |
|                     | Aff. Posting             | signed.   | Reviewed by: skc  |
|                     | Status Rpt               |   | Reviewed on: 4-11-14  |
|                     | UCCJEA                   | A copy of the minute order was mailed                                       | Updates:  |
|                     | Citation                 | to Attorneys Teixeira and Roberts and to                                    | Recommendation:   |
|                     | FTB Notice               | Dana Kahler on 8-5-13.  | File 20B – Kasabian   |
|                     |                          |   |   |

**20B** 

Atty

Chavez, Maria Araceli (Pro Per – Mother – Guardian)
Status Hearing Re: Next Accounting

| Esr     | neralda, age 17  |   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:                           |
|---------|------------------|---|--|
|         |                  | appointed as Guardian of the Estate of              |  |
|         |                  | Esmeralda B. Mendez in 09CEPR00717 and as           | Continued from 3-4-14                              |
|         |                  | Guardian of the Estate of Ruby Isela Mendez         |  |
| Co      | ont. from 030414 | Chavez in 09CEPR00895 on 1-6-10.                    | Minute Order 3-4-14: No appearances. The Court     |
|         | Aff.Sub.Wit.     | The First Account was settled on 3-7-12 and the     | directs a copy of the                              |
|         | Verified         | Court set this status hearing for the filing of the | examiner notes be sent to                          |
|         | Inventory        | next account.                                       | Maria Chavez. Matter                               |
|         |                  | =   | continued to 4-15-14. Maria                        |
|         | PTC              | =   | Chavez is ordered to be                            |
|         | Not.Cred.        |   | personally present on 4-15-14                      |
|         | Notice of        |   | if the accounting is not filed.                    |
|         | Hrg              |   | Carries of the maintain and an                     |
|         | Aff.Mail         |   | Copies of the minute order and Examiner Notes were |
|         | Aff.Pub.         |   | mailed to Ms. Chavez on                            |
|         | Sp.Ntc.          |   | 3-6-14.  |
|         | Pers.Serv.       |   |  |
|         | Conf.            |   | As of 4-11-14, nothing further                     |
|         | Screen           |   | has been filed.                                    |
|         | Letters          |   |  |
|         | Duties/Supp      |   | 1. Need Second Accounting                          |
|         | Objections       |   | or written status report.                          |
|         | Video            |   |  |
|         | Receipt          |   |  |
|         | CI Report        |   |  |
|         | 9202             |   |  |
|         | Order            |   |  |
|         | Aff. Posting     |   | Reviewed by: skc                                   |
|         | Status Rpt       |   | <b>Reviewed on:</b> 4-11-14                        |
|         | UCCJEA           |   | Updates:   |
|         | Citation         |   | Recommendation:                                    |
|         | FTB Notice       |   | File 22 – Mendez                                   |
| l Total |                  |   | 22   |

Status Hearing Re: Next Accounting

| Ruby Isela, age 10 | MARIA ARACELI CHAVEZ, mother, was   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:  |
|--------------------|---|---|
|                    | appointed as Guardian of the Estate of Esmeralda B. Mendez in 09CEPR00717 | Continued from 3-4-14   |
|                    | and as Guardian of the Estate of Ruby Isela Mendez Chavez in 09CEPR00895  | Minute Order 3-4-14:  |
| Cont. from 030414  | on 1-6-10.  | No appearances. The Court directs a                                     |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.       |   | copy of the examiner notes be sent                                      |
| Verified           | The First Account was settled on 3-7-12                                   | to Maria Chavez. Matter continued to                                    |
| Inventory          | and the Court set this status hearing for the filing of the next account. | 4-15-14. Maria Chavez is ordered to be personally present on 4-15-14 if |
| PTC                | The filling of the flext account.   | the accounting is not filed.  |
| Not.Cred.          |   | The decoming is not med.  |
| Notice of          |   | Copies of the minute order and  |
| Hrg                |   | Examiner Notes were mailed to Ms.                                       |
| Aff.Mail           |   | Chavez on   |
| Aff.Pub.           |   | 3-6-14.   |
| Sp.Ntc.            |   | As of 4-11-14, nothing further has                                      |
| Pers.Serv.         |   | been filed.   |
| Conf.              |   |   |
| Screen             |   | Need Second Accounting or   |
| Letters            |   | written status report.  |
| Duties/Supp        |   |   |
| Objections         |   |   |
| Video              |   |   |
| Receipt            |   |   |
| CI Report          |   |   |
| 9202               |   |   |
| Order              |   |   |
| Aff. Posting       | 1   | Reviewed by: skc  |
| Status Rpt         |   | Reviewed on: 4-11-14  |
| UCCJEA             | 4   | Updates:  |
| Citation           | 4   | Recommendation:   |
| FTB Notice         |   | File 23 – Chavez  |

25 Leroy Graves (Estate)

Case No. 14CEPR00164

Atty Graves, Elgeron (Pro Per – Co-Petitioner – Son)
Atty Myles, Dale (Pro Per – Co-Petitioner – Daughter)

Atty Atkinson, Elvie Alene (Pro Per – Co-Petitioner – Daughter)

Petition for Letters of Administration (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

| DOD: 07/16/2002 |                 | ELGERON GRAVES, DALE MYLES, and ELVIE ALENE             | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:                |
|-----------------|-----------------|---|---|
|                 |                 | <b>ATKINSON</b> , children, are petitioners and request |   |
|                 |                 | that <b>ELGERON GRAVES</b> be appointed as              | 1. Need date of death of the            |
|                 |                 | Administrator.  | deceased spouse pursuant                |
| Coi             | nt. from 040114 |   | to Local Rule 7.1.1D.                   |
|                 | Aff.Sub.Wit.    | All heirs waive bond                                    |   |
| ✓               | Verified        | Limited IAEA – o.k.                                     |   |
|                 | Inventory       | Decedent died intestate                                 |   |
|                 | PTC             | Deceder if died it liestate                             | Note: If the petition is granted status |
|                 | Not.Cred.       | Residence: Fresno                                       | hearings will be set as follows:        |
| ✓               | Notice of Hrg   | Publication: The Fresno Bee                             | riediligs will be set as follows.       |
| 1               | Aff.Mail        | v/o   | • Friday, 09/19/2014 at                 |
| 1               | Aff.Pub.        | Estimated value of the Estate:                          | <b>9:00a.m. in Dept. 303</b> for the    |
| <b>-</b>        |                 | Real Property - \$209,545.00                            | filing of the inventory and             |
|                 | Sp.Ntc.         | Probate Referee: Steven Diebert                         | appraisal <u>and</u>                    |
|                 | Pers.Serv.      | Trobalo Rololog. Sloveli Bloboli                        |   |
|                 | Conf. Screen    |   | • Friday, 06/19/2015 at                 |
| ✓               | Letters         |   | <b>9:00a.m. in Dept. 303</b> for the    |
| 1               | Duties/Supp     |   | filing of the first account             |
|                 | Objections      | <del>- </del>   | and final distribution.                 |
|                 | Video           | <del>- </del>   | Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the       |
|                 | Receipt         |   | required documents are filed 10         |
|                 | CI Report       |   | days prior to the hearings on the       |
|                 | 9202            |   | matter the status hearing will come     |
| ✓               | Order           |   | off calendar and no appearance          |
|                 |                 |   | will be required.                       |
|                 | Aff. Posting    |   | Reviewed by: LV                         |
|                 | Status Rpt      |   | Reviewed on: 04/11/2014                 |
|                 | UCCJEA          |   | Updates:                                |
|                 | Citation        |   | Recommendation:                         |
|                 | FTB Notice      |   | File 25 – Graves                        |

# 1 Celia M. Worthington (Estate)

Atty

Case No. 13CEPR00336

Atty Dornay, Val J. (for Scott Worthington – son/Petitioner)

Picone, Stephen S. (for Cynthia Schmidt – daughter/Objector)

Status Hearing Re: Settlement Agreement

| DOD: 04/09/12 |                 | SCOTT WORTHINGTON, son, filed a                    | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:            |
|---------------|-----------------|--|-------------------------------------|
|               |                 | Petition for Probate on 04/18/13,                  | THIS AS ATTED WILL BE LIES DO AT    |
|               |                 | seeking to admit decedent's will to                | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT        |
|               |                 | probate and be appointed as Executor without bond. | 10:00 AM.                           |
| Со            | nt. from 022714 | Williour Bolia.                                    | CONTINUED FROM 02/27/14             |
|               | Aff.Sub.Wit.    | CYNTHIA SCHMIDT, daughter, filed an                | As of 04/11/14, nothing further has |
|               | Verified        | Objection to Petition for Probate of Will          | been filed in this matter.          |
|               | Inventory       | on 05/29/13.                                       | Need Settlement Agreement           |
|               | PTC             | The parties participated in a settlement           | and/or Status Update Report.        |
|               | Not.Cred.       | conference on 01/13/14. <b>Minute Order</b>        | and, or states opadie Report.       |
|               | Notice of       | from 01/13/14 states: Counsel will submit          |                                     |
|               | Hrg             | settlement agreement per conference                |                                     |
|               | Aff.Mail        | conversation. Status Hearing on                    |                                     |
|               | Aff.Pub.        | 02/27/14, Courtcall allowed.                       |                                     |
|               | Sp.Ntc.         |  |                                     |
|               | Pers.Serv.      |  |                                     |
|               | Conf.           |  |                                     |
|               | Screen          |  |                                     |
|               | Letters         |  |                                     |
|               | Duties/Supp     |  |                                     |
|               | Objections      |  |                                     |
|               | Video           |  |                                     |
|               | Receipt         |  |                                     |
|               | CI Report       |  |                                     |
|               | 9202            |  |                                     |
|               | Order           |  |                                     |
|               | Aff. Posting    |  | Reviewed by: JF                     |
|               | Status Rpt      |  | <b>Reviewed on:</b> 04/11/14        |
|               | UCCJEA          |  | Updates:                            |
|               | Citation        |  | Recommendation:                     |
|               | FTB Notice      |  | File 1 – Worthington                |
|               |                 |  | _                                   |

2 Worthington Family Grantor Trust 12-28-11

Case No. 13CEPR00455

Atty Rube, Melvin K. (for Scott Worthington – son/Petitioner)

Atty Ramseyer, Ryan (for Cynthia Schmidt – daughter/Respondent)

Atty Kruthers, Heather H. (for Public Guardian)

Status Hearing Re: Settlement Agreement

Celia DOD: SCOTT WORTHINGTON, son, filed a Petition to **NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:** 04/09/12 Terminate an Irrevocable Trust on 05/23/13 and set THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD for hearing on 07/15/13. AT 10:00 AM. At the 07/15/13 hearing, the Court set the matter CONTINUED FROM 02/27/14 for a settlement conference on 08/12/13. Cont. from 022714 As of 04/11/14, nothing further Aff.Sub.Wit. has been filed in this matter. Minute Order from settlement conference on Verified 08/12/13 states: Parties engage in settlement Note: Public Guardian filed a Inventory discussions with the Court. Based on the Petition for Fees that was PTC discussions, the Public Guardian is appointed for aranted on 12/09/13. The Not.Cred. the benefit of Fred Worthington. The Court directs Petition for Fees was filed Notice of the Public Guardian to meet with Fred Worthington without payment of a filing fee. Minute Order from hearing on Hrg and speak with counsel regarding an evaluation to 12/09/13 ordered that the determine the appropriate level of care for him. Aff.Mail Trustee of the Trust was to pay The Court obtains consent from all counsel to Aff.Pub. the filing fees. As of 04/11/14, engage in exparte communications with the Public Sp.Ntc. the filing fees have not been Guardian. The Court directs that a list of items be Pers.Serv. paid and the Order for Fees has prepared within two weeks and an order as set not been signed. Conf. forth be prepared by counsel. The Court sets a Screen Status Hearing for the Public Guardian on 09/09/13. 1. Need Settlement Letters The Court indicates for the minute order that Mr. Agreement and/or Status **Duties/Supp** Dornay's presence will not be required on 09/09/13. Update Report. **Objections** The Court will expect appropriate status reports to Video be filed for the upcoming hearings. Receipt **CI Report** Minute Order from status hearing on 09/09/13 9202 states: Mr. Picone is appearing via Courtcall. Mr. Order Picone informs the Court that his client has Aff. Posting Reviewed by: JF complied with the requirements thus far. Ms. **Status Rpt Reviewed on:** 04/11/14 Kruthers informs the Court that the Public Guardian **UCCJEA** believes Fred Worthington's needs can be taken **Updates:** care of at home, but trust funds would be needed. **Recommendation:** Citation The Court is satisfied with the report from the Public **FTB Notice** File 2 - Worthington Guarian. The Court thanks the Public Guardian for their services in this matter. The Court orders that Fred Worthington not be moved without a prior court order. Minute Order from further settlement conference on 01/13/14 states: Counsel will submit settlement agreement per conversation. Status Hearing on 02/27/14, Courtcall allowed. Continued on Page 2

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## Status Conference Statement of Petitioner Scott J. Worthington filed 02/25/14 states:

- 1. A settlement conference was held in this matter on 01/13/14. The parties are to submit a settlement agreement, and are still working on that agreement. The Settlement agreement is to include, but is not limited to the following:
  - a. The appointment of a neutral successor trustee to administer the assets of the Trust. Bruce Bickel has agreed to act as the successor trustee for the trust.
  - b. The transfer of Bank of America Acct. ending in 3121, amounting to approximately \$211,000.00 (the sole asset of Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 13CEPR00336) into The Worthington Family Grantor Trust dated 12/28/11 (the "Trust").
  - c. All assets of Trust, including the residence located at 22561 Auberry Road, Auberry, CA are to be administered for the benefit of Frederick A. Worthington.
  - d. The successor trustee is to select the contractor from the bids submitted to make the necessary repairs to the residence located at 22561 Auberry Road, Auberry, CA so that Frederick Worthington can live at the residence with in-home care. The costs of the repairs are to be paid out of the assets of the Trust.
  - e. Frederick Worthington will require in home care services while he resides at the residence located at 22561 Auberry Road, Auberry, CA. In home care services are to be provided on a 24-hour basis for seven days a week. Said in home care services are to be paid with any income earned by Frederick Worthington while he resides at the Auberry residence and out of the Trust.
  - f. The successor trustee shall select the in-home care provider to provide the in home care services required for Frederick Worthington.
  - g. Petitioner shall be responsible for moving Frederick Worthington into the Auberry residence once the necessary repairs have been made.
  - h. The successor trustee shall take possession of all tangible and intangible personal property of Frederick Worthington currently in the possession of petitioner and respondent and deliver said property to Frederick Worthington.
- 2. Although certain items of tangible personal property have been returned to Frederick Worthington by Respondent, Cynthia Schmidt, according to petitioner, Scott Worthington, the following items of tangible and intangible personal property have not been returned:
  - a. The Certificate of Crossing the Equator.
  - b. The Merchant Marine ring from WWII.
  - c. The matching rings worn by Frederick Worthington and his brother.
  - d. Celia Worthington's ashes.
  - e. The glass figurines that were on the fireplace mantle.
  - f. The family photo album of Frederick Worthington's family.
  - g. Some old plates in a wooden box.
  - h. Three butterfly trays.
  - i. A life insurance policy belonging to Frederick Worthington.
  - j. Military dog tags belonging to Frederick Worthington.
- 3. Petitioner is also concerned that Cynthia Schmidt has not accounted for or provided an explanation for the following:
  - a. Bank of America CD ending in 1508 held in the name of Celia Worthington and having a value of \$35,135.26 on 02/15/11, which Petitioner believes was not added to Bank of America Acct ending in 3121 and is not part of the approximately \$211,000.00 held in that account.
  - b. The status of the car owned by Frederick Worthington.

1A Atty Atty Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust 2/16/94 Case No. 13CEPR00564
Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Successor Trustee under Amendment/Petitioner)
Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – son of Debbra Winter/Respondent-Objector)
Petition to Determine Title to and Require Transfer of Property to Trust [Prob. C. 850(a)(2)(3), 855, 17200(b)(6)]

| Stephan DOD: |                    |             | <b>DENNIS FREEMAN,</b> successor trustee, is Petitioner.                                  | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:     |
|--------------|--------------------|-------------|---|------------------------------|
| 08           | <sup>7</sup> 09/05 | P           | etitioner states:   |                              |
| De           | bbra DOD:          | 1           | . Stephan F. Winter and Debbra L. Winter  | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT |
| _            | /13/13             |             | ("Settlors") executed the Stephan F. Winter   | 10:30 AM.                    |
|              | •                  |             | and Debbra L. Winter Revocable Trust (the   |                              |
|              |                    |             | "Trust") on 02/16/94 in their capacity as<br>Settlors and initial Trustees. The Trust was | CONTINUED FROM 03/10/14      |
| _            | 1.6                |             | amended on 09/14/02.  |                              |
|              | nt. from 081213,   | ,   2       | 2. Petitioner is the currently acting successor   |                              |
|              | 2113, 112013,      |             | trustee of the Trust.   |                              |
|              | 0913, 010614,      | 3           |   |                              |
| 012          | 2814, 031014       | <b>—</b> `  | original Trust documents which Christopher  |                              |
|              | Aff.Sub.Wit.       |             | Lull ("Respondent") or his agents have taken  |                              |
| <b>√</b>     | Verified           |             | possession of and refused to deliver to the   |                              |
|              | Inventory          |             | trustee.  |                              |
|              | PTC                | <b></b>   4 | The Settlor's maintained the original trust   |                              |
|              |                    |             | documents in a binder. Shortly before her   |                              |
|              | Not.Cred.          |             | death, Debbra delivered the binder to real estate agent Michele Lane in connection        |                              |
| <b>√</b>     | Notice of          |             | with a real estate transaction. The real  |                              |
|              | Hrg                |             | estate agent had possession of the binder   |                              |
| <b>√</b>     | Aff.Mail 🔻         | v/          | when Debbra died and maintained   |                              |
|              | Aff.Pub.           |             | possession of it, refusing to deliver it to   |                              |
|              | Sp.Ntc.            |             | anyone without a court order. Thereafter,   |                              |
|              | Pers.Serv.         |             | Respondent's attorney, Sue Campbell,  |                              |
|              | Conf.              |             | represented to Michele Lane that the family   |                              |
|              | Screen             |             | agreed that it was ok that Ms. Lane release   |                              |
|              | •                  | _           | the binder to Respondent in care of attorney Sue Campbell.                                |                              |
|              | Letters            |             |   |                              |
|              | Duties/Supp        | <b>—</b> "  | because (1) Petitioner was the trustee and  |                              |
| ✓            | Objections         |             | not respondent, and (2) Respondent,   |                              |
|              | Video              |             | Debbra's son, had been intentionally  |                              |
|              | Receipt            |             | omitted from the Trust due to a long  |                              |
|              | CI Report          |             | standing estranged relationship.  |                              |
|              | 9202               | - 6         | p. Petitioner has demanded the release of the   |                              |
| <b>√</b>     | Order              |             | trust binder from Respondent's former   |                              |
|              | Aff. Posting       |             | attorney, Sue Campbell; however, initially Sue Campbell's assistant professed no          | Reviewed by: JF              |
|              |                    |             | knowledge of a binder being picked up by  | Reviewed on: 04/11/14        |
|              | Status Rpt         | _           | her office and later Sue Campbell professed   | 1 1                          |
|              | UCCJEA             | $\dashv$    | no knowledge of a binder being picked up  | Updates:                     |
|              | Citation           |             | from Michele Lane. Petitioner's demands   | Recommendation:              |
|              | FTB Notice         |             | that Respondent deliver the binder to   | File 1A – Winter             |
|              |                    | ١,          | Petitioner's attorney have been ignored.  |                              |
|              |                    |             | etitioner prays for an Order:  . Declaring that Petitioner is the sole owner of           |                              |
|              |                    |             | the original trust documents and that   |                              |
|              |                    |             | Respondent has no interest in the original  |                              |
|              |                    |             | trust documents.  |                              |
|              |                    | 2           | 2. Directing Respondent to immediately deliver  |                              |
|              |                    |             | possession to Petitioner of any and all trust   |                              |
|              |                    |             | documents including but not limited to the  |                              |
|              |                    |             | original Trust, original Trust amendment, and   |                              |
|              |                    |             | the estate planning binder.   |                              |
|              |                    |             | Continued on Page 2   |                              |

# 1A Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust 2/16/94 Case No. 13CEPR00564

Objection filed 08/07/13 by Christopher Lull, Respondent, states:

- 1. Petitioner does not have standing to bring this Petition. Petitioner is not the trustee because the amendment naming him as trustee was revoked. Morgan Quail witnessed the destruction of the amendment (see Declaration of Morgan Quail). Without the amendment, Petitioner is not the trustee or a beneficiary of the Trust and has no vested interest in the Trust.
- 2. Petitioner is not a relative or heir of Debbra L. Winter.
- 3. Michele Lane, the real estate agent described in the Petition, was in possession of the original estate planning binder at the time of Debbra Winter's death. Ms. Lane turned over the binder to Respondent because she found his name in the estate documents, and could not locate Petitioner's name in the binder. Because Ms. Lane could not find Petitioner's name in the documents and didn't know who he was, she refused to turn the binder over to him. Respondent's attorney has spoken to Ms. Lane and anticipates that she will be a witness in this matter. Ms. Lane stated to Respondent's attorney that Petitioner admitted to her that he never even met Debbra Winter. This information supports the fact that the amendment was destroyed and not in the original estate planning binder.
- 4. In the absence of the original, there is a legal presumption that the document was revoked. Additionally, pursuant to Probate Code § 6120(b), we have an act of destruction consistent with the intent to revoke. This presumption cannot be overcome based on the Declaration of Morgan Quail and the expected testimony of Michele Lane.
- 5. Respondent, Christopher Lull, is the successor trustee of the Trust dated 07/16/94 and the primary beneficiary. He had every right to withdraw the money from Bank of America, as Trustee.

### Objector prays for an Order:

- 1. Denying the Petition to Determine Title to and Require Transfer of Property to Trust Regarding Bank Account; and
- 2. Denying the Petition to Determine Title to and Require Transfer of Property to Trust.

#### **Declaration of Morgan Quail in Support of Objection** filed 08/07/13 states:

- 1. He is Debbra Winter's nephew and probably one of her closest family members. Debbra felt like a bit of an outsider in their family and felt left out. Declarant always tried to include her in his life events and she always seemed grateful to be included.
- 2. Their family has a lot of drama. Declarant states that he has tried to stay out of it and remain neutral. He believes that this is why Debbra confided in him and spoke to him about things she might not talk about with others.
- 3. Approximately 2 years ago on Father's Day, Debbra pulled Declarant aside and asked to talk to him. During their conversation, she removed a document titled amendment to trust from her purse and proceeded to tear it up in front of him. She stated that she wanted to keep her money in the family. Declarant also believes she was having conversations with her sister Catherine and father Stanton about this issue as well.
- 4. At Christmastime later that year, Declarant received a card from Debbra thanking him for the talk on Father's Day.

**Joint Status Report** filed 12/18/13 provides an outline/summary of the petitions filed in this matter.

# First Amended Objection to Petition to Determine Title to and Require Transfer of Property to Trust filed 01/07/14 states:

- 1. Objector, Christopher Lull, is the son of Debbra L. Winter, deceased, who is the co-settlor and the successor trustee of the STEPHAN F. WINTER and DEBBRA L. WINTER REVOCABLE TRUST (the "Trust") dated 02/16/94.
- 2. Decedent, Debbra Winter ("Debbra") and her husband Stephan F. Winter ("Stephan") created the Trust dated 02/16/94 in which they were both name as settlors and co-trustees. A purported Amendment to the Trust was executed on 09/14/02.
- 3. Under the terms of the Amendment, the successor trustee, upon the death of the first of Stephan and Debbra, was named as Dennis Freeman. Further, on the death of the surviving spouse/settlor, the estate was to be distributed to Dennis Freeman, if living, and if not, to Morgan Quail.

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- 4. The purported Amendment to the Trust was not a true and voluntary expression of testamentary intent of the co-settlor and co-trustee, Debbra Winter, but was a result of the control, demands, and undue influence of Stephan F. Winter, Debbra's spouse.
- 5. Stephan, taking advantage of the confidential and fiduciary relationship between him and his spouse, Debbra, and by reason of the trust and confidence so reposed in Stephan by Debbra, was able to and did influence and control the mind and actions of Debbra and induce her to sign the purported Amendment to the trust which provided, among other things, that all of the assets of the Trust be distributed upon the death of the surviving spouse to Dennis Freeman, who is unrelated to Debbra, and is a cousin of Stephan.
- 6. Prior to signing the Amendment, Stephan exhibited animosity and opposition to Objector, who is the only child and natural heir of Debbra, and attempted to, and did, alienate Debbra from Objector and induced her to sign the purported Amendment to the Trust excluding Objector as a beneficiary of the Trust, contrary to the terms of the initial Trust dated 02/16/94. As a result of the undue influence, pressure, and control by Stephan, and the alienation that he induced between Debbra and Objector, the Amendment dated 09/14/02, was not the true intent and testamentary wish of Debbra, but was that of her husband, Stephan.
- 7. After Stephan's death in 2005, Debbra stated her wish, and as so expressed to her family members, including her nephew, Morgan Quail, and her sister, Catherine Quail, that she did not intend to leave her estate, or any part of it, to Dennis Freeman; however, she was unaware of how and what manner to change the disposition and the purported Amendment to the Trust. Debbra was under the mistaken belief that the mere destruction of the Amendment, by tearing it up, resulted in the revocation of the Amendment and would therefore result in the original Trust agreement expressing her true intentions, which included her plan to bequeath and devise all of her trust assets to her direct heirs, including her son, Objector, Christopher Lull. Debbra was unable to do so at the time she signed the Amendment because she was wholly under the influence of Stephan, who proposed and dictated to Debbra the purported Amendment to the Trust. As a result, the Amendment was not the true and voluntary act of Debbra, but was procured as the result of the undue and unreasonable influence and control of Stephan and the mistaken belief thereafter of Debbra that she had taken appropriate actions to restore her true testamentary intent, as expressed in the initial Trust Agreement dated 02/16/94.

#### Objector, Christopher Lull prays for an Order:

1. Denying the Petition; determining that the purported Amendment to the Trust dated 09/14/02 is not the true testamentary intent of Debbra Winter; and that the terms and conditions of the trust are those set forth in the original testamentary instrument designated the "Trust Agreement" signed 02/16/94.

1B Atty Atty Stephan & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust 2/16/94 Case No. 13CEPR00564 Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Successor Trustee under Amendment/Petitioner) Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – son of Debbra Winter/Respondent-Objector)

Petition to Determine Title to and Require Transfer of Property to Trust Regarding Bank Account [Prob. C. 850(a)(2)(3), 855, 17200(b)(6)]

| Petitioner states:   7. Stephan F. Winter and Debbra L. Winter and Debra | Stephan DOD: 08/09/05 | <b>DENNIS FREEMAN</b> , successor trustee, is Petitioner. | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/<br>COMMENTS: |
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## Objection filed 08/07/13 by Christopher Lull, Respondent, states:

- 6. Petitioner does not have standing to bring this Petition. Petitioner is not the trustee because the amendment naming him as trustee was revoked. Morgan Quail witnessed the destruction of the amendment (see *Declaration of Morgan Quail*). Without the amendment, Petitioner is not the trustee or a beneficiary of the Trust and has no vested interest in the Trust.
- 7. Petitioner is not a relative or heir of Debbra L. Winter.
- 8. Michele Lane, the real estate agent described in the Petition, was in possession of the original estate planning binder at the time of Debbra Winter's death. Ms. Lane turned over the binder to Respondent because she found his name in the estate documents, and could not locate Petitioner's name in the binder. Because Ms. Lane could not find Petitioner's name in the documents and didn't know who he was, she refused to turn the binder over to him. Respondent's attorney has spoken to Ms. Lane and anticipates that she will be a witness in this matter. Ms. Lane stated to Respondent's attorney that Petitioner admitted to her that he never even met Debbra Winter. This information supports the fact that the amendment was destroyed and not in the original estate planning binder.
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# 1C Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust

Case No. 13CEPR00564

Atty Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Petitioner)

Atty Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – Respondent)

Petition to Determine Title to; Require Transfer to and Impose Constructive Trust Over Property [Prob. C. 850(a)(2), (3), 855, 17200(b)(6)]

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| Stephan DOD:<br>  08/09/05                      |                  |          | <b>DENNIS FREEMAN,</b> successor Trustee, is Petitioner.   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:               |
| Debbra DOD:<br>05/13/13                         |                  |          | Petitioner states:  1. Stephan F. Winter and Debbra L. Winter ("Settlors") executed the Stephan F. Winter and Debbra L. Winter Revocable Trust (the  | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT 10:30 AM. |
| Cont. from 120913,<br>010614, 012814,<br>031014 |                  | 13,      | <ul> <li>"Trust") on 02/16/94 in their capacity as Settlors and initial Trustees. The Trust was amended on 09/14/02.</li> <li>Stephan Winter died 08/09/05 and Debbra Winter died 05/13/13. Petitioner is the</li> </ul> | CONTINUED FROM 03/10/14                |
|   | Aff.Sub.Wit.     |          | named successor trustee of the Trust. On   |  |
| ✓   | Verified         |          | 08/30/13, the Court appointed Bruce Bickel as temporary trustee of the Trust.  |  |
|   | Inventory        |          | 3. This Petition concerns the conversion of Bank   |  |
|   | PTC              |          | of America account ending in 3919 with a balance of over \$565,000.00 which was an   |  |
|   | Not.Cred.        |          | asset of the Trust. Petitioner alleges that  |  |
| <b>√</b>  | Notice of<br>Hrg |          | Respondent, Christopher Lull, removed the entire balance of the Bank of America account on or about 06/26/13 and   |  |
| <b>√</b>  | Aff.Mail         | w/       | transferred it to his personal account.  |  |
|   | Aff.Pub.         |          | Petitioner alleges that, among other things,   |  |
|   | Sp.Ntc.          |          | Christopher Lull used \$125,000.00 of the wrongfully obtained funds to pay down a  |  |
|   | Pers.Serv.       |          | promissory note and deed of trust on his   |  |
|   | Conf.            |          | personal residence. These funds were paid to First Northern Bank of Dixon, California on   |  |
|   | Screen           |          | or about 01/27/13.   |  |
|   | Letters          |          | 4. Constructive Trust. The real property which was subject to the promissory note and  |  |
|   | Duties/Supp      |          | deed of trust that Christopher Lull applied  |  |
| <b>√</b>  | Response         |          | \$125,000.00 in payment is located on Ophir  |  |
|   | Video            |          | Road in Auburn, CA (legal description provided).   |  |
|   | Receipt          |          | , ,  |  |
| _   | CI Report        |          | Petitioner prays for an Order:  1. Declaring that Respondent Christopher   |  |
| <b> </b> ✓                                      | 9202<br>Order    | -        | Lull holds in constructive trust the real  |  |
| ľ   | Aff. Posting     |          | property on Ophir Road in Auburn, CA,<br>described in the Petition;  | Reviewed by: JF                        |
|   | Status Rpt       | <u> </u> | 2. Authorizing the temporary trustee to take   | Reviewed on: 04/11/14                  |
|   | UCCJEA           |          | possession of and sell the real property described above to recover the  | Updates:                               |
|   | Citation         |          | \$125,000.00 plus attorneys' fees and costs  | Recommendation:                        |
|   | FTB Notice       |          | in so doing;   | File 1C – Winter                       |
|   |                  |          | <ol> <li>Directing Respondent to pay Petitioner his attorneys' fees and costs; and</li> <li>Awarding Petitioner with exemplary damages against Respondent according to proof.</li> <li>Continued on Page 2</li> </ol>    |  |
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Response to Petition to Determine Title To, Require Transfer to and Impose Constructive Trust Over Property filed 12/06/13 by Respondent, Christopher Lull, states:

- 1. Respondent admits that the STEPHAN F. WINTER AND DEBBRA L. WINTER REVOCABLE TRUST was created on 02/16/94 by Stephan and Debbra Winter.
- 2. Respondent denies that the Amendment dated 09/14/02 is a valid and effective trust document, or "Amendment" and that said Amendment does not reflect the true intent of the co-settlor and trustee, Debbra Winter.
- 3. Respondent denies the validity of the purported "Amendment" and, therefore, denies that Dennis Freeman is a successor trustee of the Trust.
- 4. Respondent denies that Fresno County is the proper venue for this action. And states that as successor trustee of the Trust the appropriate venue for this action should be in Sacramento County pursuant to Probate Code § 17002(b)(1).
- 5. Respondent admits that the Bank of America account described in the Petition was an asset of the Trust. Respondent denies that he has "wrongfully" taken or converted any sums from said account, or any other asset of the alleged trust, as said Amendment to the Trust is invalid and ineffective, and that the Trust, therefore, provides that Respondent is the sole successor trustee and beneficiary of the Trust.
- 6. Respondent admits that he has an interest in real property in Auburn, CA described in the Petition, but denies that there is any wrongful application of funds for any payment on that real property.

#### **Affirmative Defenses:**

- 1. The Petition fails to state facts sufficient to constitute a valid cause or causes of action against Respondent.
- 2. There is no basis for a "constructive trust" over the real property described in the Petition in that said real property is not, and was not, an asset of the Trust and thereby the remedy of "constructive trust" is not available under Civil Code §§ 2223 and 2224 as the Trust has not right, title, claim, or interest in the real property. (Citation provided)
- 3. The Petition has no ground to assert, nor is it alleged, that there is any basis for a claim of "exemplary damages".
- 4. The Petitioner fails to allege any statutory grounds, or any other legal right, for attorney's fees in the filing of this Petition and that attorney's fees are not recoverable to the Petitioner pursuant to Civil Code § 1021 and 1026.

#### Respondent prays for an Order:

- 1. That the Petition and each claim therein be dismissed against Respondent and that Petitioner take nothing by reason of his complaint; and
- 2. For costs incurred herein.

Atty Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Petitioner)

Atty Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – Respondent)

Status Hearing

| Stephan DOD:    | The following petitions have been filed or are pending in this matter:         | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:               |
|-----------------|--|--|
| 08/09/05        | ure pending in this maner.   |  |
| Debbra DOD:     | 1. Petition to Determine Title To and  | THIC AS ATTER WILL BE HEADD AT         |
| 05/13/13        | Require Transfer of Property to Trust  | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT           |
|                 | (Page 1A)  | 10:30 AM.                              |
|                 | 2. Petition to Determine Title To and Require Transfer of Property to Trust re |  |
| Cont. from      | Bank Account (Page 1B)   |  |
| 010614, 012814, | 3. Notice of Hearing on Demurrer and   |  |
| 031014          | Demurrer of Respondent Dennis  |  |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.    | Freeman to Petition to Determine Validity of Purported Trust, for Order        |  |
| Verified        | Determining Interest in Trust Property   |  |
|                 | and for Reformation; Memorandum of   |  |
| Inventory       | Points and Authorities in Support of   |  |
| PTC             | Demurrer to Petition Without Leave to<br>Amend (The Court adopted the          |  |
| Not.Cred.       | Tentative Ruling on 03/10/14)  |  |
| Notice of       | 4. Notice of Motion and Motion for   |  |
| Hrg             | Judgment on the Pleadings (The Court   |  |
| Aff.Mail        | adopted the Tentative Ruling on 03/10/14)                                      |  |
| Aff.Pub.        | 5. Petition to Determine Title To; Require                                     |  |
| Sp.Ntc.         | Transfer To and Impose Constructive  |  |
| Pers.Serv.      | Trust Over Property (Page 1C)  6. Petition to Compel Christopher Lull to       |  |
| Conf.           | Redress Breach of Trust by Payment of  |  |
| Screen          | Money or Otherwise and for Double  |  |
| Letters         | Damages (Page 1E) 7. Petition to Determine Validity of                         |  |
| Duties/Supp     | Purported Trust, for Order Determining   |  |
| Objections      | Interest in Trust Property and for   |  |
| Video           | Reformation (filed by Respondent Christopher Lull, Page 1F;                    |  |
| Receipt         | 8. Order to Show Cause Re Contempt   |  |
| CI Report       | filed by Dennis Freeman – Page 1G)   |  |
| 9202            | 9. Notice of Motion for Order Compelling                                       |  |
| Order           | Responses to Form Interrogatories (filed by Dennis Freeman – Page 1H)          |  |
| Aff. Posting    |  | Reviewed by: JF                        |
| Status Rpt      | -  | Reviewed by: 31  Reviewed on: 04/11/14 |
| UCCJEA          | -  | Updates:                               |
| Citation        | -  | Recommendation:                        |
| FTB Notice      | -  | File 1D – Winter                       |
|                 | <u> </u>   | The ID-Willer                          |

# Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust Case No. 13CEPR00564

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Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Successor Trustee – Petitioner) Atty Atty Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – Respondent and Objector)

Petition to Compel Christopher Lull to Redress Breach of Trust by Payment of Money or Otherwise and for Double Damages

| Stephen Winter<br>DOD: 8-9-05 |                 | <b>DENNIS FREEMAN</b> , Successor Trustee, is Petitioner.   | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:               |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|---|--|
| Debbra Winter<br>DOD: 5-13-13 |                 | Petitioner states: Petitioner Dennis Freeman is the sole beneficiary and named successor trustee of | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT 10:30 AM. |
|                               |                 | the trust pursuant to the 9-14-02 amendment.  However, Respondent CHRISTOPHER LULL, with full       | CONTINUED FROM 03/10/14                |
| Co                            | nt. from 012814 |   | -                                      |
|                               | 014             | exercised powers under the trust instrument as  |  |
|                               | Aff.Sub.Wit.    | the purported trustee as described below. On  |  |
| >                             | Verified        | 8-30-13, the Court appointed <b>BRUCE BICKEL</b> as temporary trustee pending resolution of these   |  |
|                               | Inventory       | matters.  |  |
|                               | PTC             | = Thaneis.  |  |
|                               | Not.Cred.       | Petitioner states Respondent wrongfully procured  |  |
| ~                             | Notice of       | Bank of America account xx3919 with a balance   |  |
| -                             | Hrg<br>Aff.Mail | of over \$565,000, which was an asset of the trust,   |  |
| Ė                             | Aff.Pub.        | removed the entire balance on or about 6-26-13,   |  |
| $\vdash$                      | Sp.Ntc.         | and transferred it to a new trust account at Bank of America naming himself as trustee, without     |  |
|                               | Pers.Serv.      | including the 9-14-02 amendment for the bank, in  |  |
|                               | Conf.           | furtherance of his scheme. Petitioner states  |  |
|                               | Screen          | Respondent then transferred the money   |  |
|                               | Letters         | belonging to the trust to a personal bank   |  |
|                               | Duties/Supp     | accounts at Bank of America, Chase Bank,  |  |
| >                             | Objections      | and/or business accounts at First Northern Bank of Dixon, California and paid a number of personal  |  |
|                               | Video           | debts and/or non-trust related expenditures all to  |  |
| -                             | Receipt         | benefit himself. See list provided in petition.   |  |
|                               | CI Report       | <b>=</b>  |  |
| <b>✓</b>                      | 9202<br>Order   | Petitioner states on or about 8-8-13, this Court  |  |
|                               | Aff. Posting    | ordered Respondent to preserve the assets of the  | Reviewed by: JF                        |
|                               | Status Rpt      | trust. On 10-15-13, Respondent testified that all of the trust assets have been spent, based on his | Reviewed on: 04/11/14                  |
|                               | UCCJEA          | name is the only one in the trust. Petitioner states  | Updates:                               |
|                               | Citation        | that as of 8-8-13, Respondent still had at least  | Recommendation:                        |
|                               | FTB Notice      | \$377,500 of trust funds on deposit in his personal   | File 1E - Winter                       |
|                               |                 | and business accounts. These sums were still trust  |  |
|                               |                 | assets despite his efforts to conceal these monies.   |  |
|                               |                 | This was an egregious and intentional violation of the Court's order and was done for the sole      |  |
|                               |                 | purpose of defeating the recovery of the trust  |  |
|                               |                 | assets from him.  |  |
|                               |                 |   |  |
|                               |                 | SEE ADDITIONAL PAGES  |  |

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**Petitioner states** Respondent was ordered on 8-30-13 to provide an accounting of the expenditure of the trust funds by him. He has refused and continues to refuse to do so consistent with his efforts to abscond with the trust funds.

## Petitioner prays for an order as follows:

- Ordering Christopher Lull to redress the breaches of trust described above by payment of all sums wrongfully misappropriated from the trust and reimbursing the trust for all losses occasioned by his wrongful actions;
- 2. Surcharging Christopher Lull twice the value of the property wrongfully misappropriated from the trust according to proof pursuant to Probate Code §859;
- 3. For attorneys' fees;
- 4. For costs herein:
- 5. For such orders as the Court deems necessary and proper.

#### Response and Objection filed 1-17-14 by Christopher Lull states:

Respondent denies that Petitioner is the successor trustee of the trust and denies that he "wrongfully exercised" the powers under the trust instrument identified as the "Winter Trust dated February 16, 1994." Respondent is the rightful successor trustee of said trust.

Respondent further denies that Fresno County is the appropriate venue for this proceeding and that the appropriate venue is the County of Placer.

Respondent denies that he has wrongfully procured any funds from the trust and that under the terms of the trust he is the rightful successor trustee and beneficiary. Further the allegations in Paragraph 6 are defective and should be stricken as material matters alleged on hearsay information not within Petitioner's personal knowledge. Authority provided.

Respondent denies he has "wrongfully" taken or "absconded" with assets of the trust and alleges that he is the successor trustee and beneficiary. Further, any said claims of violation of the trust, or wrongful misappropriation of trust funds pursuant to §850(a)(3) are insufficient and premature. Objection and a request to strike is hereby made to the recitation of testimony at a prior hearing by the respondent as the Court has made no final judgment or order in these matters; therefore, such testimony should not be considered by the Court, or receive judicial notice under Evidence Code §452, as such testimony is not an order, finding of fact or judgment of the court. Authority provided.

Respondent alleges there are not sufficient grounds for "surcharging" the responding party herein for "double damages" as there has not been any "bad faith" wrongful taking by this responding party.

Respondent further objects to any claim for "attorney's fees." There are no grounds alleged to claim same and this action is subject to the provisions of Civil Code §1021.

Respondent prays that the petition to "redress breach of trust" be dismissed; that none of the relief as requested therein be granted; for costs of suit incurred.

# 1F Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust Case No. 13CEPR00564

Atty Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Respondent to this Petition)

Atty Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – Petitioner)

Petition to Determine Validity of Purported Trust, for Order Determining Interest in Trust Property and for Reformation

|                | irust Property and for Ketormation |  |
|----------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Stephan DOD:   |                                    | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:   |
| 08/09/05       |                                    |  |
| Debbra DOD:    |                                    | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT                                       |
| 05/13/13       |                                    | 10:30 AM.  |
|                |                                    |  |
|                |                                    | First Amended Petition to Determine                                |
| Cont. from     |                                    | Validity of Purported Trust, For Order                             |
| 012814, 031014 |                                    | Determining Interest in Trust Property and For Revocation of Trust |
| Aff.Sub.Wit.   |                                    | Amendment filed 04/03/14 and set                                   |
| Verified       |                                    | for hearing on 05/19/14.   |
| Inventory      |                                    | 101 110 dilling 011 00/17/11.                                      |
| PTC            |                                    |  |
| Not.Cred.      |                                    |  |
| Notice of      |                                    |  |
| Hrg            |                                    |  |
| Aff.Mail       |                                    |  |
| Aff.Pub.       |                                    |  |
| Sp.Ntc.        |                                    |  |
| Pers.Serv.     |                                    |  |
| Conf.          |                                    |  |
| Screen         |                                    |  |
| Letters        |                                    |  |
| Duties/Supp    |                                    |  |
| Objections     |                                    |  |
| Video          |                                    |  |
| Receipt        |                                    |  |
| CI Report      |                                    |  |
| 9202           |                                    |  |
| Order          |                                    |  |
| Aff. Posting   |                                    | Reviewed by: JF  |
| Status Rpt     |                                    | <b>Reviewed on:</b> 04/11/14                                       |
| UCCJEA         |                                    | Updates:   |
| Citation       |                                    | Recommendation:  |
| FTB Notice     |                                    | File 1F – Winter   |

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Atty Atty Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust

Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Petitioner) Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – Respondent)

Order to Show Cause Re Contempt

Case No. 13CEPR00564

| [ C:                     | Order to Show Cause Re Contempt |   |  |  |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Stephan DOD:<br>08/09/05 |                                 | <b>DENNIS FREEMAN</b> , is Petitioner.  | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:               |  |
| Debbra DOD:<br>05/13/13  |                                 | Order to Show Cause re Contempt orders Christopher Lull to appear on 03/10/14 at 9:00 am in Dept. 303 to show cause why   | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT 10:30 AM. |  |
|                          |                                 | he should not be adjudged to be in  | CONTINUED FROM 03/10/14                |  |
|                          | ont. from                       | contempt of court and punished  |  |  |
| 01:                      | 2814, 031014                    | accordingly for wilfully disobeying the   |  |  |
|                          | Aff.Sub.Wit.                    | orders of this Court made on 08/12/13 and 08/30/13.   |  |  |
|                          | Verified                        | 00/30/13.   |  |  |
|                          | Inventory                       | <b>Proof of Service</b> filed 02/27/14 states that a  |  |  |
|                          | PTC                             | copy of the Order to Show Cause Re  |  |  |
|                          | Not.Cred.                       | Contempt and Declaration Re Contempt  |  |  |
|                          | Notice of                       | were served on attorney Steven  |  |  |
|                          | Hrg                             | Shahbazian on behalf of his client,   |  |  |
|                          | Aff.Mail                        | Christopher Lull, on 02/27/14. Service on the attorney was approved by Order of   |  |  |
|                          | Aff.Pub.                        | this Court on 02/24/14.   |  |  |
|                          | Sp.Ntc.                         |   |  |  |
| ✓                        | Pers.Serv.                      | Respondent Christopher Lull's Objections  |  |  |
|                          | Conf.                           | to Contempt Citation and Memorandum of  |  |  |
|                          | Screen                          | Points and Authorities filed 04/10/14 states:   |  |  |
|                          | Letters                         | <ul> <li>There is no indication that the</li> <li>Respondent had knowledge of either</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|                          | Duties/Supp                     | of the orders cited such that he could  |  |  |
|                          | Objections                      | comply with the orders. The docket  |  |  |
|                          | Video                           | entries in this case show that on   |  |  |
|                          | Receipt                         | 09/09/13, an "Order to Show Cause for   |  |  |
|                          | CI Report                       | Christopher Lull" was issued by this  |  |  |
|                          | 9202                            | court and thereafter, on 09/18/13, the  |  |  |
|                          | Order                           | entry states "Returned mail – no address found". Thereafter on  |  |  |
|                          | Aff. Posting                    | 10/11/13, the docket entry states   | Reviewed by: JF                        |  |
|                          | Status Rpt                      | "Returned mail from Court" and that   | <b>Reviewed on:</b> 04/11/14           |  |
|                          | UCCJEA                          | the Court's notice was "returned by   | Updates:                               |  |
|                          | Citation                        | Post Office with forwarding address".   | Recommendation:                        |  |
|                          | FTB Notice                      | The notice was thereafter re-mailed to a new address. By declaration filed 10/21/13, Christopher Lull stated that he never received mail at the addresses noted and provided his correct mailing address. | File 1G – Winter                       |  |
| 11                       |                                 | Continued on Page 2   |  |  |

## 1G Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust

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- 2. In reference to the 08/12/13 order, the petition filed 07/02/13 requests that ownership of "Bank of America account ending in 3919" be held as an asset of the trust. The minute order entered 08/12/13 speaks only of the "assets referred to as the Bank of America account". The Contempt citation itself confirms that there were no funds remaining in the specific bank account at Bank of America (#3919) at the time of the hearing on 08/12/13. The "Declaration Re Contempt" alleges that Christopher Lull has disobeyed the 08/12/13 order insofar as he transferred over \$375,000.00 of Trust money to a Bank of America account he opened on 06/28/13 in his name. The only allegation of the use of monies, therefore, is the use of monies in another bank account (supposedly Mr. Lull's personal account) and not the Bank of America trust account (#3919). Based on the charging document, the declaration is clear that there was no money in the specific Bank of America account (#3919), that was labeled the "trust account" and "trust asset" at the time the order was made on 08/12/13. Therefore Lull simply had no ability to "comply" with the order regarding account #3919.
- 3. In reference to the 08/30/13, that order was for Lull to "account to the temporary trustee and Dennis Freeman within thirty (30) days" of the order. Such order was not entered until 09/10/13 [Nunc Pro Tunc (effective) as of 08/30/13]. The declaration of contempt actually concedes that Lull would not have had actual notice of the foregoing order until October 15, 2013 when he was in court on a difference Citation and hearing. Additionally, the "Application for Appointment of Temporary Trustee" (filed on 08/23/13) requested that Bruce Bickel be appointed as "temporary trustee" of the trust, and that any assets of the trust be turned over to Mr. Bickel. By the direct wording of such request and order, Mr. Bickel was the only person to whom the assets would have been "turned over" and the only person to whom an "accounting" should have been due. Mr. Freeman had no standing to request an accounting to him as he was neither the appointed trustee nor the temporary trustee. In this part of the proceeding, the real party in interest, Bruce Bickel, as temporary trustee, has not filed an action seeking an accounting or "to turn over" any assets to him. Since it is the authority and duty of Bruce Bickel to proceed to collect the assets, he would be the "real party in interest" pursuant to CCP §367 to whom the right to bring an action for contempt would repose and not a petitioner/interested party, being Mr. Freeman. Therefore, the attempt to enforce the order of 08/30/13 by use of this contempt action by Freeman on behalf of an appointed and acting trustee should be denied.

# Stephen & Debbra Winter Revocable Trust 2/16/94Case No.13CEPR00564

Atty Pape, Jeffrey B. (for Dennis Freeman – Petitioner)

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Shahbazian, Steven L. (for Christopher Lull – Respondent)

Notice of Motion for an Order Compelling Responses to Form Interrogatories

|          |                    |          | <b>DENNIS FREEMAN</b> , Successor Trustee, is                                 | NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:                                     |
|----------|--------------------|----------|---|--|
|          |                    |          | Petitioner.   | THIS MATTER WILL BE HEARD AT                                 |
|          |                    |          | Petitioner states Respondent CHRISTOPHER LULL has failed to file a            | 10:30 AM.  |
| Co       | ont. from 04081    | 4        | timely response to Form Interrogatories                                       | CONTINUED FROM 04/08/14                                      |
|          | Aff.Sub.Wit.       |          | and no extension of time has been   |  |
| ✓        | Verified           |          | requested or granted.   | Notice of Hearing was  |
|          | Inventory          |          | Petitioner moves the Court pursuant to  | personally served on the Law<br>Office of Steven Shahbazian. |
|          | PTC                |          | CCP §§ 2030.290(a), 2030.290(b) for an  | Also need proof of service by                                |
|          | Not.Cred.          |          | order compelling Respondent to  | mail on the Respondent                                       |
| ✓        | Notice of          |          | provide responses without objection to  | directly.  |
|          | Hrg                |          | Form Interrogatories.   |  |
|          | Aff.Mail           |          | Datition on also and the many   |  |
|          | Aff.Pub.           |          | Petitioner also seeks monetary sanctions against Respondent in the            |  |
|          | Sp.Ntc.            |          | amount of \$547.50 pursuant to CCP §§   |  |
| ✓        | Pers.Serv.         | w/       | 2030.290(c), 2031.300(c), and   |  |
|          | Conf.              |          | 2033.280(c).  |  |
|          | Screen             |          |   |  |
|          | Letters            |          | See Memorandum of Points and  |  |
|          | Duties/Supp        |          | Authorities in support of this motion filed 02/26/14                          |  |
|          | Objections         |          | 11160 02/20/14  |  |
|          | Video              |          | Declaration of Jeffrey B. Pape in   |  |
|          | Receipt            |          | support of this motion filed 02/26/14   |  |
|          | CI Report          |          | provides a timeline of the events   |  |
|          | 9202               |          | leading to this motion and states the   |  |
| <b>✓</b> | Order              |          | \$547.50 includes 1.5 attorney hours for preparation of this motion, plus the | Bardania d han 15  |
|          | Aff. Posting       |          | \$60.00 filing fee.   | Reviewed by: JF  |
| -        | Status Rpt         | <u> </u> | ,   | Reviewed on: 04/11/14  |
|          | UCCJEA<br>Citation |          |   | Updates:  Recommendation:                                    |
|          | FTB Notice         |          |   | File 1H – Winter   |
|          | LIR NOTICE         |          |   | riie in – winter   |

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